

Reanalysis Technical Advisory Group (RAN-TAG) Breakout Session at the 11th GHRSST Science Team Meeting Overview and Agenda

22 June 2010, 11:00-13:00 Room: To be determined Plaza del Bosque Hotel Lima, Peru Audio and Internet Teleconferening Available

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1 Reanalysis Breakout Sessions Goals and Actions

The GHRSST Reanalysis Technical Advisory Group (RAN-TAG) is holding a breakout session on Tuesday, 22 June 2010, as part of the 11th meeting of the GHRSST Science Team. This year, the breakout session will focus on three goals, each with a corresponding deliverable. All interested parties are welcome to attend!

Goal 1: Collect updates on SST reanalysis/reprocessing activities from around the world. To achieve this goal, I am requesting a one-slide summary (see below for details) from everyone in advance of the meeting regarding their reanalysis-related projects and activities. We won't spend time presenting all of them. Instead, I'll compile them into a "booklet" (in the form of a PowerPoint presentation) representing a status summary of the current state of global efforts. This booklet will be the deliverable for this goal. During the breakout, I will provide an overview of the current status, compare it to last year's list of priority actions to give us a sense for the progress being made, and perhaps ask for some more detailed explanations. We did this last year and the resulting booklet proved very useful.

Goal 2: Access and Intercomparison Tools and Requirements.

The theme of this year's G11 meeting is the GHRSST Data Specification (GDS) Version 2, which has been through numerous drafts and will be undergoing external review. Each GHRSST TAG and Working Group is tasked with reviewing the documents from their perspective. The documents are all available at: http://www.ghrsst.org/documents.htm?parent=359

I ask that you review these documents and provide a one-page summary of your concerns from the RAN-TAG perspective in advance of the meeting (again, see below for details). You should also track comments via "track changes" directly in the Word documents and provide them to the relevant book captains as well. My feeling is that the Level 3 (L3) and Level 4 (L4) Product Specifications will be of most interest to the RAN-TAG, so if you wish to focus your efforts there please feel free to do so. All comments are welcome and sought, however.

The L3 and L4 product specifications are at: http://www.ghrsst.org/documents.htm?parent=475

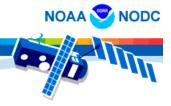
Goal 3: Identify priority efforts for the coming year(s).

Based on what we've learned from the GCOS intercomparions, tool assessments, work looking carefully into "grid vs. analysis" resolution, lessons from the GMPE, the ESA Climate Change Initiative and NOAA Climate Data Record program, and some of the large reprocessing efforts (Pathfinder, (A)ATSR Reanalysis for Climate, others?), what should be the priority efforts be for the coming year(s)? The deliverable for this goal will be "The GHRSST Reanalysis Priority List of Actions". Importantly, I'd like this process of reviewing/discussing what we've learned in the last year to bring to light possibly hidden or forgotten issues. To support this goal, everyone with an interest is asked to submit critical focus areas for a set of internationally coordinated reanalysis efforts (see below for details).

ACTIONS FOR ATTENDEES AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:

To support these goals within a two-hour breakout session, everyone with an interest is asked to complete the simple three-slide template, one slide for each goal, and submit it to Kenneth.Casey@noaa.gov and Tess.Brandon@noaa.gov by Thursday, 17 June 2010. The template can be found at http://ghrsst.nodc.noaa.gov/documents.html.





Working Agenda for RAN-TAG Breakout Session:

The Reanalysis Breakout session will move quickly through the three goals stated above, with most time spent on the GDS-2 review as directed by the overall meeting structure. However, we will re-allocate time to the other goals to the extent possible. Please email Kenneth.Casey@noaa.gov if you have recommended changes to the following working agenda.

Speaker	Title	Time
Kenneth S. Casey	Introductory Remarks	11:00 - 11:15
Kenneth S. Casey	Global Reanalysis: Current Status Summary (Goal 1)	11:15-11:30
Tess Brandon	Summary of GDS-2 Concerns and Discussion (Goal 2)	11:30-12:30
Nick Rayner	GHRSST Reanalysis Priority List of Actions (Goal 3)	12:30-12:45
Kenneth S. Casey	Wrap-Up and Way Forward	12:45-13:00

Table 1: Agenda for the GHRSST Reanalysis Breakout Session at the 11th GHRSST **Science Team Meeting.**



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WebEx Info: (Meeting number is 741636509 and passcode is TECHDIR)

- 1. Join the meeting by clicking on: http://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join.php?sigKey=mymeetings&i=741636509&p=TECH DIR&t=c
- 2. Enter the required fields.
- 3. Indicate that you have read the Privacy Policy.
- 4. Click on Proceed.



GHRSST-11 Reanalysis Technical Advisory Group Breakout Session

Current RAN-TAG Membership

For your reference, the current membership of the RAN-TAG is provided below. Remember, however, EVERYONE is welcome to participate in the breakout session and all RAN-TAG activities.

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